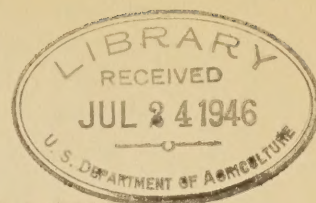


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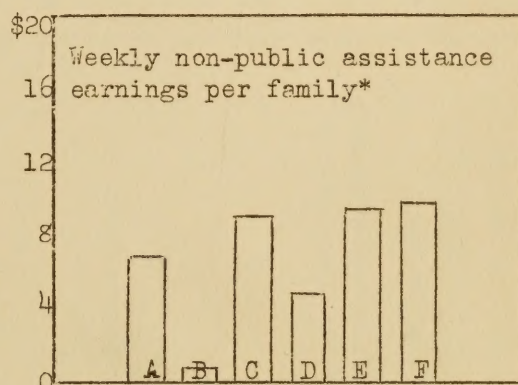
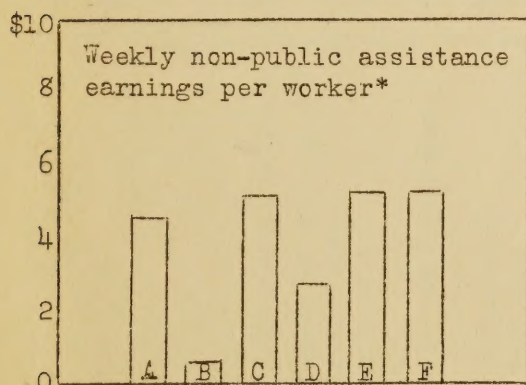
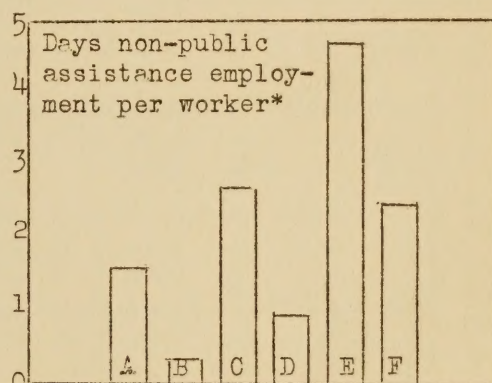
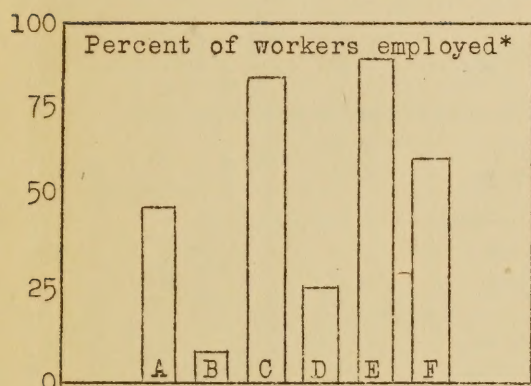
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Bureau of Agricultural Economics
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Farm Security AdministrationEMPLOYMENT SITUATION OF AGRICULTURAL WORKERS LIVING
IN FSA FARM LABOR CAMPS

Current Report No. 11

Arizona, California, and Northwest Camps, November 3 to November 30, 1940



* These averages include all workers and all families.

Camps designated by:

A. Eastern Oregon and Southern Idaho
B. Yakima, Washington
C. Imperial and Coachella Valleys

D. Northern California
E. Arizona
F. San Joaquin Valley

Berkeley, California

December 31, 1940

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Table 1.- SUMMARY OF WEEKLY EMPLOYMENT
Agricultural workers living in FSA farm labor camps
in California, Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Idaho
November 3 to November 30, 1940

	California - Arizona				Oregon - Washington - Idaho ^{1/}			
	Week ending			Four- week average	Week ending			Four- week average
	Nov. 9	Nov. 16	Nov. 23		Nov. 9	Nov. 16	Nov. 23	
1. Percentage of workers receiving employment: (a) Other than public assistance (b) Public assistance projects	69.9 3.7	65.6 4.1	61.7 9.0	61.0 4.1	54.9 10.8	47.1 20.4	28.1 20.3	43.2 15.8
2. Percentage of families with at least one worker employed: (a) Other than public assistance (b) Public assistance projects	79.9 6.6	77.6 7.5	72.2 14.5	74.1 8.0	67.1 15.6	57.5 29.2	38.0 29.5	54.3 22.9
3. Average workers per family: (a) Other than public assistance (b) Public assistance projects (c) Unemployed (d) Total workers	1.25 .07 .48 1.78	1.19 .08 .55 1.81	1.09 .16 .53 1.76	1.14 .08 .65 1.86	.79 .16 .49 1.44	.68 .29 .46 1.43	.41 .30 .74 1.45	.63 .23 .59 1.45
4. Average days employment (other than on public assistance) (a) Employed workers (b) All workers	4.2 2.9	4.0 2.7	3.4 2.1	3.4 2.1	3.0 1.7	4.0 1.9	3.2 .9	3.2 1.4
5. Employment index ^{2/}	48.8	44.3	34.6	34.8	27.5	31.8	15.1	23.1
6. Average distance (in miles) from camp to job (public assistance projects excluded) (Camps included in above figures) (Families included in above figures)	5.8 (21) (239)	7.4 (19) (224)	6.6 (17) (220)	7.6 (19) (248)	11.8 (6) (134)	7.3 (4) (99)	11.9 (4) (71)	9.1 xxx (366)

^{1/} The camps in Oregon, Washington and Idaho are closing down for the winter months. For this reason, the present reports are incomplete. No reports for this period from Western Oregon.

^{2/} Man-days employment received on other than public assistance projects + man-days available for employment (allowing for a six-day week). If all workers were fully employed the index number would be 100.

Table 2.-- SUMMARY OF WEEKLY EARNINGS
Agricultural workers living in FSA farm labor camps
in California, Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Idaho
November 3 to November 30, 1940

	California -- Arizona						Oregon -- Washington -- Idaho					
	Week ending			Four week average			Week ending			Four week average		
	Nov. 9	Nov. 16	Nov. 23	Nov. 30	Nov. 7	Nov. 14	Nov. 21	Nov. 28	Nov. 5	Nov. 12	Nov. 19	Nov. 26
1. Average earnings from other than public assistance projects:												
(a) Per worker employed	8.81	8.07	6.78	5.68	7.37	8.97	11.22	8.50	4.47	9.04		
(b) Per worker: All workers	6.16	5.30	4.19	3.46	4.76	5.93	5.30	2.39	1.31	3.91		
2. Average earnings from public assistance projects:												
(a) Per worker engaged	10.27	12.66	9.15	9.54	10.13	9.49	8.54	7.25	9.30	8.57		
3. Average family earnings: All families												
(a) Employment other than public assistance	10.98	9.58	7.37	6.45	8.58	7.10	7.60	3.47	1.95	5.66		
(b) Employment on public assistance projects	.69	.96	1.46	.73	.95	1.49	2.50	2.14	1.95	1.97		
(c) All employment (a) + (b)	11.67	10.54	8.83	7.18	9.53	8.59	10.10	5.61	3.90	7.63		
(Camps included in above figures)	(21)	(19)	(17)	(19)	xxx	(6)	(4)	(4)	(3)	xxx		
(Families included in above figures)	(239)	(224)	(220)	(248)	(931)	(134)	(99)	(71)	(62)	(366)		

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Table 3. WEEKLY EMPLOYMENT BY REGIONS
Agricultural workers living in FSA farm labor camps
in California and Arizona
November 3 to November 30, 1940

		Week ending			November 30	Four-week average
		November 9	November 16	November 23		
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA CAMPS						
1.	Percentage of workers employed:					
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	36	23	32	19	28
	(b) On public assistance projects	8	7	20	14	12
2.	Percentage of families with at least one worker employed ^{1/}	44	38	48	28	39
3.	Average earnings, all families:					
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	\$ 5.80	\$ 3.97	\$ 6.44	\$ 3.30	\$ 4.91
	(b) On public assistance projects	\$ 1.49	\$ 1.51	\$ 2.53	\$ 1.95	\$ 1.86
	(c) All employment ((a) + (b))	\$ 7.29	\$ 5.48	\$ 8.97	\$ 5.25	\$ 6.77
4.	Employment index ^{2/}	18.1	14.4	18.0	11.6	15.6
5.	Average miles from camp to job ^{1/}	6.6	12.6	8.5	10.4	8.82
6.	(Number of camps included in above calculations)	(5)	(4)	(4)	(4)	xxx
7.	(Number of families included in above calculations)	(55)	(48)	(50)	(50)	(203)
SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY CAMPS						
1.	Percentage of workers employed:					
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	72	67	60	56	64
	(b) On public assistance projects	2	5	6	2	4
2.	Percentage of families with at least one worker employed ^{1/}	89	86	72	79	81
3.	Average earnings, all families:					
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	\$12.14	\$11.34	\$ 8.32	\$ 8.04	\$ 9.94
	(b) On public assistance projects	\$.52	\$ 1.06	\$ 1.33	\$.61	\$.88
	(c) All employment ((a) + (b))	\$12.66	\$12.40	\$ 9.65	\$ 8.65	\$10.82
4.	Employment index ^{2/}	48.4	45.7	37.6	35.9	41.8
5.	Average miles from camp to job ^{1/}	6.2	8.7	6.6	8.2	7.3
6.	(Number of camps included in above calculations)	(7)	(7)	(7)	(7)	xxx
7.	(Number of families included in above calculations)	(104)	(104)	(105)	(107)	(420)

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Table 3.- WEEKLY EMPLOYMENT BY REGIONS (CONTINUED)

	Week ending				November 9	November 16	November 23	November 30	Four-week average
	November 9	November 16	November 23	November 30					
IMPERIAL AND COACHELLA VALLEY CAMPS									
1.	Percentage of workers employed:								
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	83	84	89			88	86	
	(b) On public assistance projects	3	0	0			2	1	
2.	Percentage of families with at least one worker employed ^{1/}	81	86	91			91	87	
3.	Average earnings, all families:								
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	\$12.50	\$10.59	\$ 8.32			\$ 4.96	\$ 8.80	
	(b) On public assistance projects	\$.05	\$.00	\$.00			\$.15	\$.06	
	(c) All employment ((a) + (b))	\$12.55	\$10.59	\$ 8.32			\$ 5.11	\$ 8.86	
4.	Employment index ^{2/}	59.2	40.1	47.9			36.0	44.2	
5.	Average miles from camp to job ^{1/}	8.5	6.5	6.5			5.3	6.5	
6.	(Number of camps included in above calculations)	(3)	(2)	(2)			(3)	xxx	
7.	(Number of families included in above calculations)	(27)	(21)	(22)			(33)	(103)	
ARIZONA CAMPS									
1.	Percentage of workers employed:								
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	95	97	88			90	92	
	(b) On public assistance projects	2	2	8			2	3	
2.	Percentage of families with at least one worker employed ^{1/}	98	96	91			97	96	
3.	Average earnings, all families:								
	(a) On other than public assistance projects	\$13.31	\$10.85	\$ 5.64			\$ 7.09	\$ 9.33	
	(b) On public assistance projects	\$.51	\$.63	\$ 1.27			\$.22	\$.62	
	(c) All employment ((a) + (b))	\$13.82	\$11.48	\$ 6.91			\$ 7.31	\$ 9.95	
4.	Employment index ^{2/}	76.7	73.3	39.9			51.2	61.0	
5.	Average miles from camp to job ^{1/}	3.7	4.9	5.6			7.7	5.5	
6.	(Number of camps included in above calculations)	(6)	(6)	(4)			(5)	xxx	
7.	(Number of families included in above calculations)	(53)	(51)	(43)			(58)	(205)	

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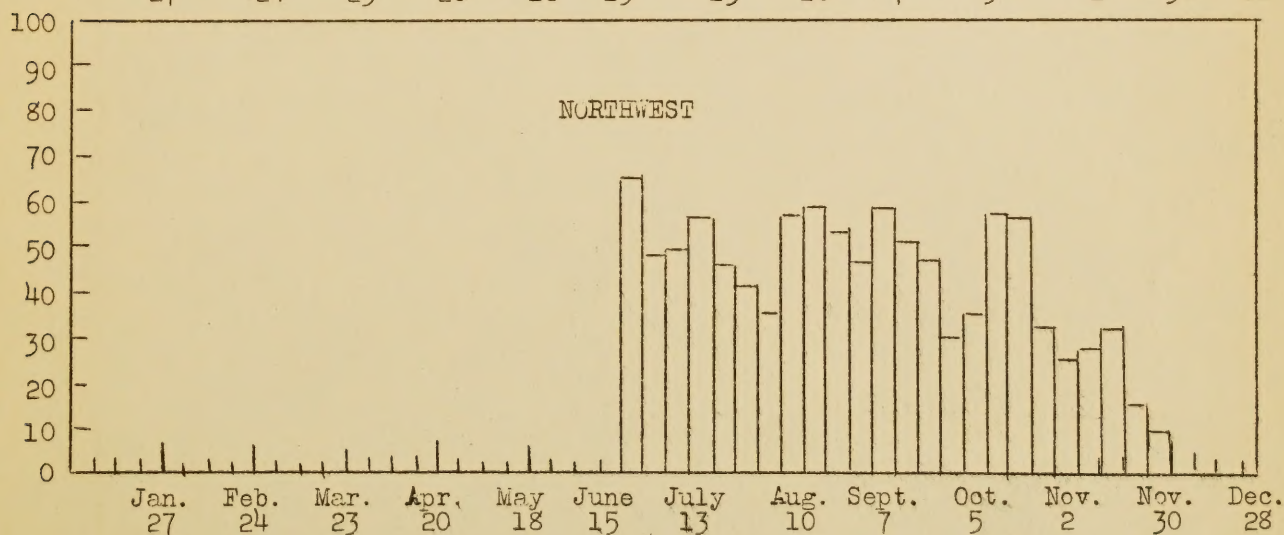
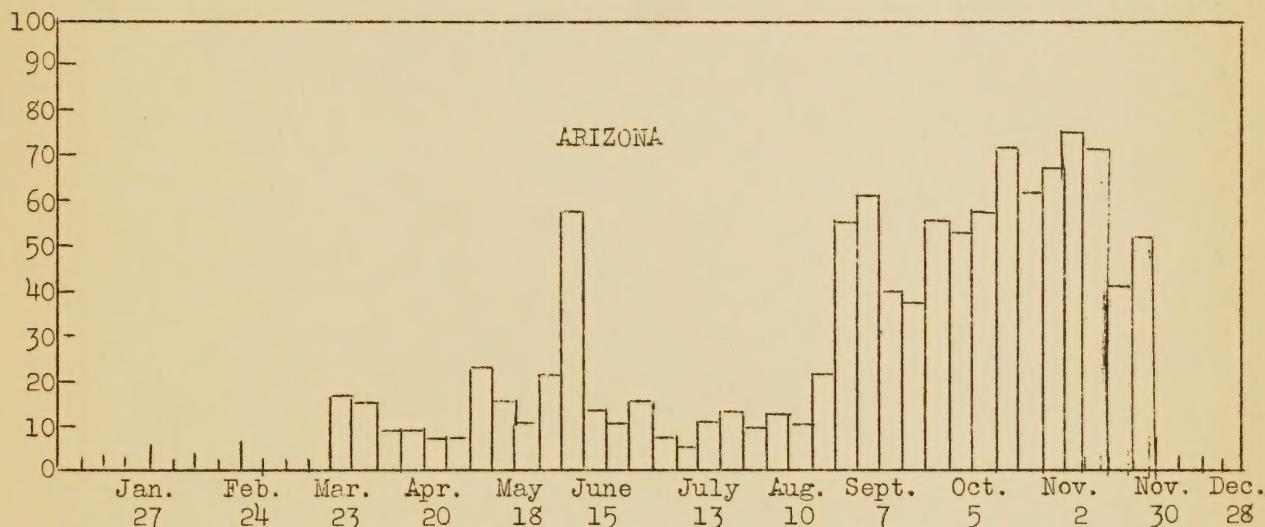
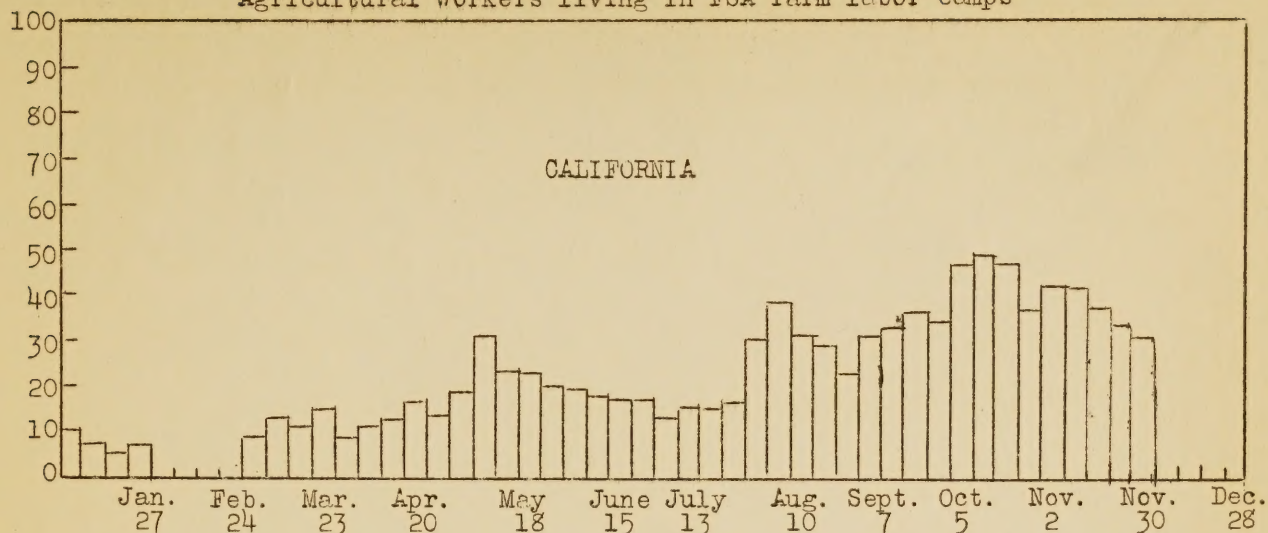
Table 3A.- WEEKLY EMPLOYMENT BY REGIONS

	Week ending				November 30	Four-week average
	November 9	November 16	November 23	November 30		
EASTERN OREGON AND SOUTHERN IDAHO <u>1/</u>						
1. Percentage of workers employed:						
(a) On other than public assistance projects	64	56	31	31	49	
(b) On public assistance projects	3	9	17	10	9	
2. Percentage of families with at least one worker employed <u>2/</u>	81	74	44	42	65	
3. Average earnings, all families:						
(a) On other than public assistance projects	\$ 8.79	\$ 9.90	\$ 4.13	\$ 2.12	\$ 6.94	
(b) On public assistance projects	\$.35	\$ 1.26	\$ 1.65	\$ 1.25	\$ 1.00	
(c) All employment ((a) + (b))	\$ 9.14	\$ 11.16	\$ 5.78	\$ 3.37	\$ 7.94	
4. Employment index <u>3/</u>	31.9	36.1	16.8	9.6	26.1	
5. Average miles from camp to job <u>2/</u>	11.6	7.5	11.9	7.2	9.1	
6. (Number of camps included in above calculations)	(5)	(3)	(3)	(2)	xxx	
7. (Number of families included in above calculations)	(106)	(74)	(59)	(52)	(291)	
WASHINGTON						
1. Percentage of workers employed:						
(a) On other than public assistance projects	7	8	8	21	10	
(b) On public assistance projects	57	72	50	36	57	
2. Percentage of families with at least one worker employed <u>2/</u>	7	8	8	30	11	
3. Average earnings, all families:						
(a) On other than public assistance projects	\$.70	\$.76	\$.25	\$ 1.04	\$.69	
(b) On public assistance projects	\$ 5.80	\$ 6.16	\$ 4.55	\$ 5.60	\$ 5.69	
(c) All employment ((a) + (b))	\$ 6.50	\$ 6.92	\$ 4.80	\$ 6.64	\$ 6.38	
4. Employment index <u>3/</u>	3.1	6.7	2.1	8.9	5.0	
5. Average miles from camp to job <u>2/</u>	22.5	1.5	12.0	5.0	9.4	
6. (Number of camps included in above calculations)	(1)	(1)	(1)	(1)	xxx	
7. (Number of families included in above calculations)	(28)	(25)	(12)	(10)	(75)	

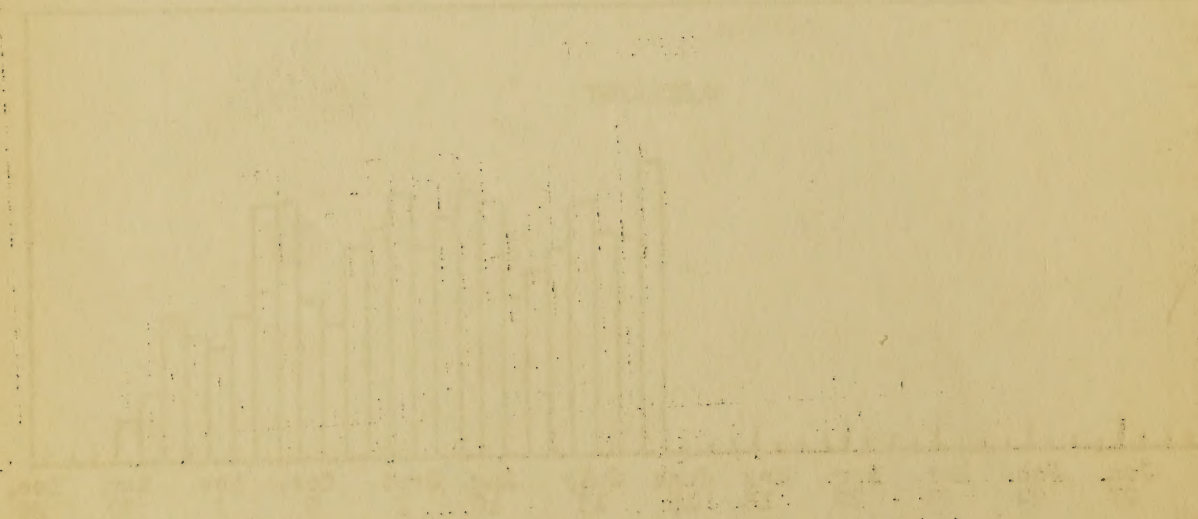
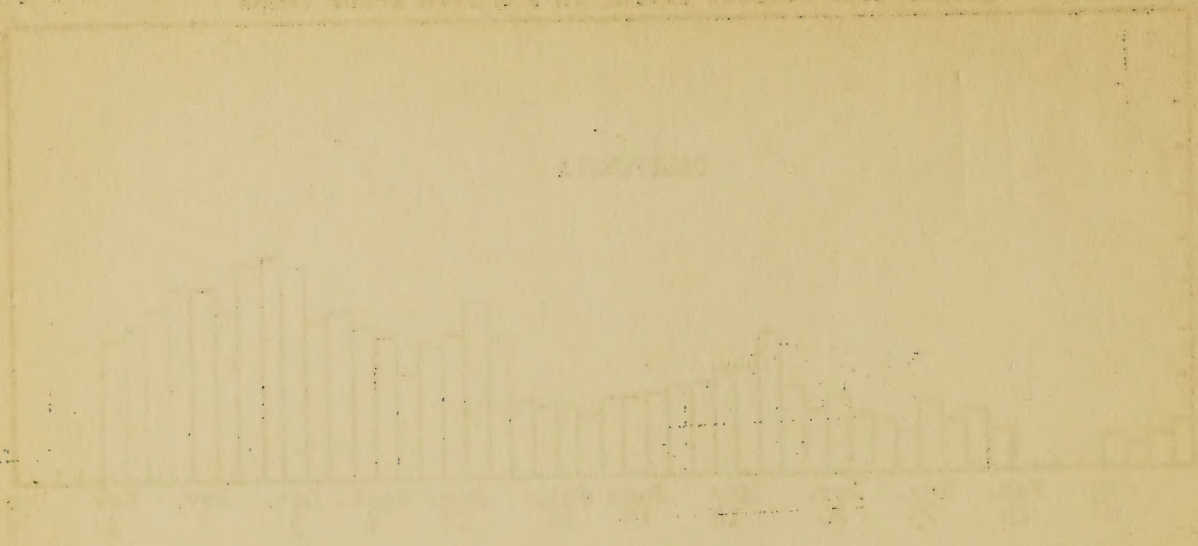
1/ Twin Falls, Caldwell, Nyssa, Blackfoot, Idaho Falls.2/ Public assistance projects excluded.3/ Man-days employment received on other than public assistance projects ÷ man-days available for employment (allowing for a six-day week). If all workers were fully employed the index number would be 100.

WEEKLY EMPLOYMENT INDEX*

Agricultural workers living in FSA farm labor camps



* The employment index is determined as follows: Aggregate man-days employment on other than public assistance projects for the week is divided by the aggregate man-days available for employment (employed plus unemployed), allowing for a six-day week.



The following table shows the percentage of cases of influenza in the United States, by month, for the years 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922, and 1923. The data is based on the report of the American Medical Association, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, May 1, 1919.